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Dear Mr. Fuller:

Thank you for your quick reply to Mr. Daniels'letter of March 2, 1979, regarding the status of your Turquoise Stone Mine in Box Elder County, Utah.

In many respects, I could not agree with you more on the regulation of the exploitation of our vast and varied mineral resources. However, as you know the law is the basis of our existence in a democratic society.

Your letter is enough to allow the Division to classify your mine as a "DOE" or "Declaration of Exemption" operation. Classed as such you need not supply any additional information unless the size of your mine exceeds the size limits of a "mining operation" as set forth in Section 40-8-4(6) Utah Code Annotated, 1953, as amended.

When the Division staff is in the area of your mine they will wish to examine the area of disturbance taking place. Before any inspection takes place, you will be asked to accompany the staff to the property.

In the meantime if you have any questions or problems in relation to this Division, both I and the Board will be available to work with you.

Sincerely,